

Name ..... Teaching Group.....

# Black History Month homework project



## South Africa and Apartheid

October is Black History Month

You must complete all the tasks in this homework project  
and hand in your finished homework project on .....

The picture on the front page is of Nelson Mandela. He is an important figure in the black civil rights movement in South Africa. Why was he sent to prison for 28 years?

For the following tasks you will need to do some research. Try the LRC for information. Don't forget that books are full of useful information!!!

Create a timeline for the events in South Africa from 1940 to 2005. Make sure you include details about Nelson Mandela's life! Some details are filled in for you.

Year	event
1940	
1942	Nelson Mandela joins ANC
1964	
	Nelson Mandela freed!
2005	

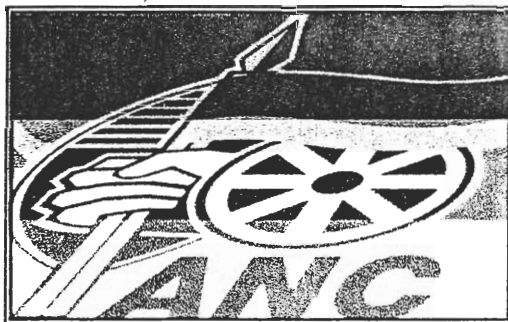


This picture is of the Sharpeville Massacre.

[www.eng.fju.edu.tw/worldlit/africa/south\\_africa\\_h](http://www.eng.fju.edu.tw/worldlit/africa/south_africa_h) may help you to answer these questions

1. Where is Sharpeville?
2. What date did the massacre take place?
3. Why did it happen?

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The ANC were opposed to Apartheid.

Use the web address above to find out the 4 main laws of Apartheid. Explain what these laws meant to ordinary people's lives .

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Nelson Mandela thought that violence would be necessary to end Apartheid. Another protester, Steve Biko, felt very differently. He wanted people to avoid violence. Find out about Steve Biko and write an account of his life here:

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Things have changed! Find out some positive things!

*If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor. If an elephant has its foot on the tail of a mouse and you say that you are neutral, the mouse will not appreciate your neutrality.*

*Desmond Tutu*



1. When did apartheid end in South Africa?
2. Find the name of a famous African politician, other than Nelson Mandela.
3. Who was Shaka Zulu?
4. Who was Nkosi Johnson?
5. Who is Zola Budd?

(you might find this website useful: [www.nationmaster.com/encyclopedia/List-of-South-Africans](http://www.nationmaster.com/encyclopedia/List-of-South-Africans) . You can also look in a real encyclopaedia! Or google them)

Answers:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Can you find out more facts about any of the people in you answers? Go on, find out 1 really interesting fact about 1 of them.

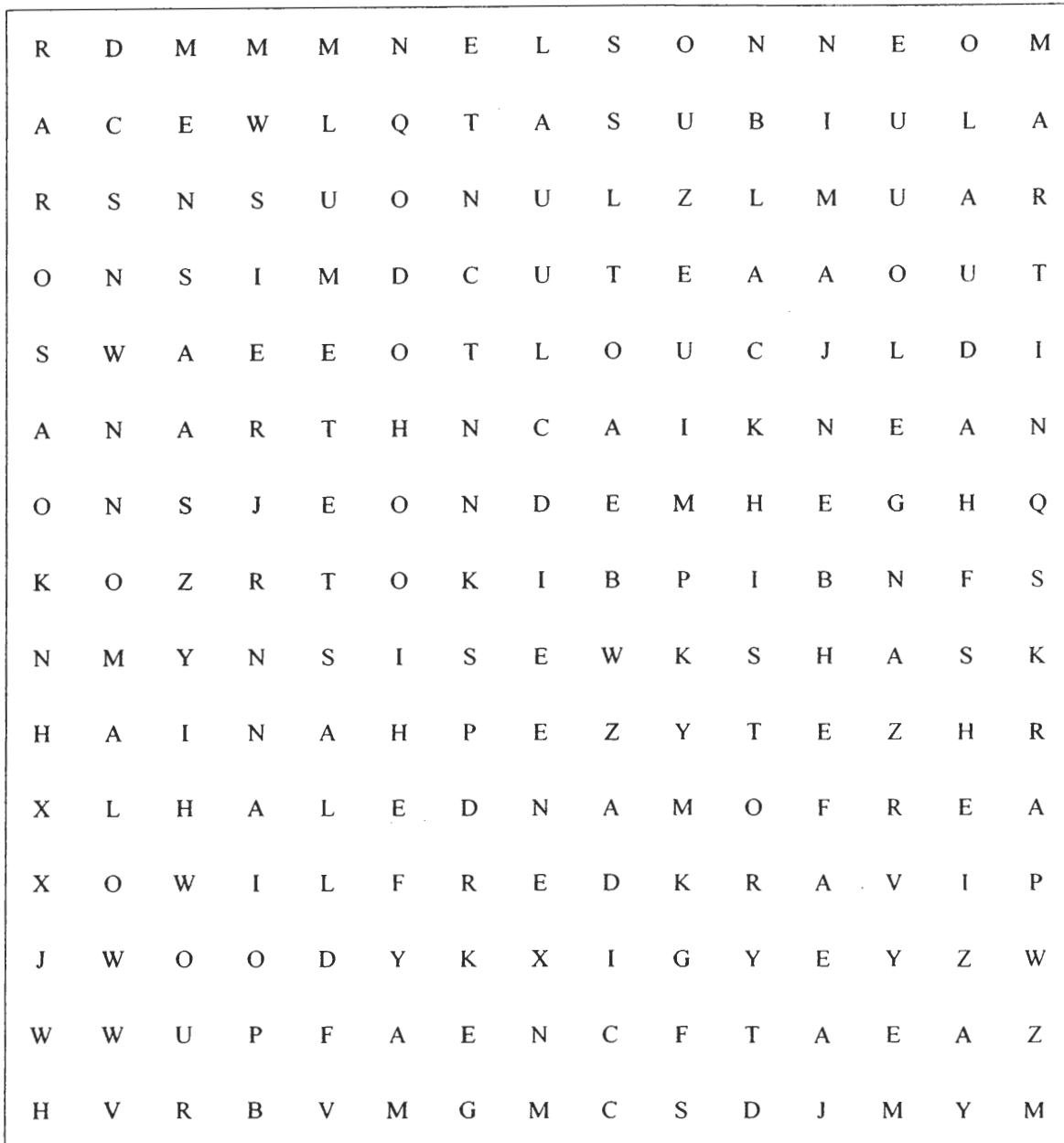
Visit the website [www.blackfacts.com](http://www.blackfacts.com).

Type in your birthday and record, in your own words, five of the events which happened on that day in history. Don't forget to write in the year!

Remember that the LRC is open after school on Tues, Weds, Thurs. You may need to ask your teacher for a note in your planner.

My birthday is ..... of .....

Can you find the names of all these influential Black people in the wordsearch?



Benjamin Zephaniah  
Black History  
Desmond Tutu  
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Linton Kwesi Johnson  
Malcolm X  
Martin Luther King

Maya Angelou  
Nelson Mandela  
Olaudah Equiano  
Rosa May Parks  
Steve Biko  
Tessa Sanderson  
Wilfred Wood

You have found out about a lot of important Black people in this project!  
Design a poster to share all your knowledge of one of these people. The  
best will go on display.